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REMARKS

1. On 29 July 1952, [redacted] Povich (fnu), the former commandant in Perleberg, was on duty in Stendal.
2. Soldiers stated that a large number of troops including tank troops, artillery troops and engineers left the Schweinrich training area for three weeks training in the area of Magdeburg. The troops were allegedly entrained at the Dranse railroad station. (1)
3. At 4 p.m. on 28 July, 30 soldiers, wearing red epaulets, and carrying blankets that were rolled up, marched to the passenger railroad station in Frankfurt/Oder. Trucks [redacted] carrying about 120 soldiers and officers stood at the railroad station. (2) 25X1
4. At 8:15 a.m. on 28 July, while passing through the Eberswalde railroad station, [redacted] 20 to 25 trucks, 20 to 25 sedans and 2 busses being entrained. [redacted] (3) 25X1
5. On 5 August, 4 [redacted] 122-mm guns, 4 prime movers, 4 tank trucks and an undetermined number of trucks [redacted] a large number of women and 11 boxcar loads of artillery ammunition were detrained at the Wildpark railroad station, near Potsdam. (4) 25X1 25X1
6. During the period from 1 to 3 August, three prime movers each with two trailers, carrying artillery ammunition went from Kraampnitz to the Wildpark railroad station. At 7 a.m. on 6 August, a column of 3 jeeps, 5 trucks, 36 prime movers each towing a 122-mm field gun was seen proceeding from Kraampnitz toward Wildpark. The column was entrained at the Wildpark railroad station. (C-2) (4) At 5 p.m., 20 new two-axle trucks went toward Neditz, coming from the Wildpark railroad station where they had been unloaded.

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[redacted] the offices of the Land Government in Potsdam would soon be transferred to Frankfurt/Oder, Halle and Leipzig.

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Clerical personnel had been dismissed on 1 August. (5) [redacted] a field unit was transferred from the Olympisches Dorf. German employees of this unit were also dismissed on 1 August. (6)

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(1) Units of the 18th Meck Div possibly participated in practices in the area of Letzling Heath where they may have practiced river crossings.

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(2) Possibly recruits who were transported to Eastern Germany. [redacted]

The motor vehicles belong to the GORC.

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(3) According to [redacted] units of the Fourth Gds Meck Army.

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Units have repeatedly been reported as being entrained for Altengrabow.

(4) [redacted] paragraphs 5 and 6 are believed [redacted] the loading of

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units of the unidentified gun artillery brigade or of the 148th Gun Arty

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Brig (US) stationed in the south section of the Delius Kaserne. Reports on

transportation indicated that the rotation of units of the 34th Arty Div (US)

in Altengrabow began on 31 July and continued until 6 August. [redacted]

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It is undetermined whether units of the division in Gola or of the 30th Gds Gun Arty Brig stationed in the north section of the Delius Kaserne were rotated to Potsdam.

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(5) Probably SOG officers whose transfer to Frankfurt/Oder [redacted]

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(6) A rumor in Oranienburg in late July 1952 indicated that the 2d Light Arty Brig (US) of the Second Gds Meck Army would not return to Oranienburg in the fall of 1952 but would be transferred to the Olympisches Dorf in Doberitz. This appears plausible, especially as the 11th Gds AT Arty Brigade (?) of the Fourth Gds Meck Army which was previously stationed permanently at the Olympisches Dorf and now is at the Templin troop training grounds could thus possibly be transferred to the Weisse Stadt settlement in Oranienburg. The two brigades would then be stationed in their army area, which had not been the case previously. [redacted] to some extent

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support this assumption. The German employees would then have been dismissed by the 11th Gds AT Arty Brig (US). [redacted]

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